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## ***Amendment***

LCO No. 7976



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To: Senate Bill No. 72

File No. 256

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***"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS THAT  
MAKE PAYMENTS ON LOANS ISSUED TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES  
BY THE CONNECTICUT HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPLEMENTAL  
LOAN AUTHORITY."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2020, and applicable to taxable*  
4 *years commencing on or after January 1, 2020*) (a) As used in this section:

5 (1) "Authority" means the Connecticut Higher Education  
6 Supplemental Loan Authority;

7 (2) "Eligible education loan" means a loan issued by the authority to  
8 an individual to (A) finance attendance at an institution of higher  
9 education, or (B) refinance one or more student loans;

10 (3) "Full-time" means required to work at least thirty-five hours per  
11 week;

12 (4) "Qualified employee" means an individual who (A) is a resident  
13 of the state, (B) is employed full-time in the state, (C) has received an  
14 eligible education loan, and (D) has resided and been employed full-  
15 time in the state for at least five years after (i) graduating from an  
16 institution of higher education, or (ii) receiving an eligible education  
17 loan to refinance one or more student loans;

18 (5) "Qualified employer" means a corporation licensed to operate a  
19 business in the state that is subject to tax under chapter 208 of the  
20 general statutes; and

21 (6) "Student loan" means any loan in repayment that was issued by  
22 (A) the authority, or (B) any other private or governmental lender to  
23 finance attendance at an institution of higher education.

24 (b) Each qualified employer that (1) employs a qualified employee,  
25 and (2) makes a payment directly to the authority on an eligible  
26 education loan on behalf of such employee may claim a credit against  
27 the tax imposed under chapter 208 of the general statutes. Such credit  
28 shall be in an amount equal to fifty per cent of the amount of payments  
29 made to the outstanding principal balance of such loans by the  
30 qualified employer on behalf of qualified employees during the taxable  
31 year, provided (A) the amount of credit allowed for any taxable year  
32 with respect to each such qualified employee may not exceed five  
33 thousand two hundred fifty dollars, and (B) a qualified employer may  
34 not claim the credit for more than five taxable years with respect to a  
35 specific qualified employee.

36 (c) A qualified employer that claims the credit under subsection (b)  
37 of this section shall provide any documentation required by the  
38 Commissioner of Revenue Services in a form and manner prescribed  
39 by the commissioner."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2020, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2020</i>	New section
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